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Appl. No. 10/537,953; Docket No. US02 0588 US
Amdt. dated October 27, 2006
Response to Office Action of October 11, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Applicants appreciate Examiner's acknowledge of allowable subject matter in claims 1-17.

Claims 18-20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Delpach et al.* (US 6271574) in view of *Delpach et al.* (EP 1 103858).

Claims 18-20 have been cancelled. Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn.

Applicants believe all of the Examiner's concerns have been addressed. The case is allowable, as presented, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly requested.

Please charge any fees other than the issue fee and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 50-4019.

Respectfully submitted,

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